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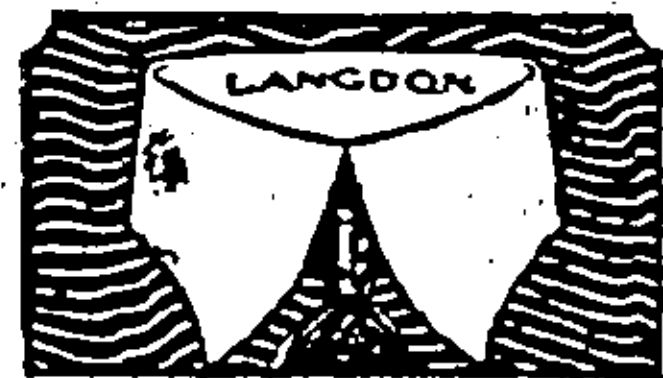
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON CONFERENCE

TURKISH DILATORINESS CAUSES DISSATISFACTION.

RIVAL DELEGATIONS.

LONDON, February 23.
Dissatisfaction is expressed in British circles at the dilatoriness of the Turkish delegation as shown at to-day's meeting of the conference. In spite of the fact that they have had months to consider the matter they were unable to advance a concrete case. The German delegates who are coming to London on Saturday are similarly at present in a state of indecision, the experts on the sub-commission disagreeing as regards the recommendations.

LONDON, February 23.
The rival Turkish delegations attended this morning's conference which adjourned until to-morrow after an hour. A communiqué says that Tewfik Pasha and Dekir Sami, who both expounded the general principles of restoration of peace in the East, were invited to specify in more concrete form their views on the points in the Treaty of Sevres which they desired modified.

VENIZELOS AND GREEK PREMIER TO CONFEE.

LONDON, February 24.
It is announced that M. Venizelos shortly confers with M. Calogeros to discuss the best means of retaining for Greece the advantages conferred by the Treaty of Sevres.

CHINA FAMINE RELIEF.

LANCASHIRE'S OBLIGATIONS TO THE EAST.

BIG EFFORT LAUNCHED.

LONDON, February 23.
Manchester and district's effort in aid of the China famine fund has been launched. A committee has been appointed to organise the appeal. £4,000 has already been promised. The Chairman, Sir Edwin Stockton, said that Chinese and Lancashire commercial relations put an obligation on Manchester to assist the sufferers in the East. Mr. Geary Gardner, chairman of the famine relief committee, paid a tribute to the wonderful way in which the Chinese Government was meeting the situation.

FUTURE OF FRENCH NAVY DISCUSSED.

PARIS, February 23.
The Chamber of Deputies debated at length the future of the Navy. The Minister of the Navy requested increased credits for complete reorganisation, meanwhile reserving the question of construction.

DISASTROUS NAVAL BASE FIRE.

ANTWERP, February 23.
Six million francs damage was caused by a fire in the shed of a Belgian naval base.

AMERICAN LABOUR FEDERATION.

WASHINGTON, February 23.
Two hundred delegates were present at the annual convention of the Federation of Labour. Mr. Gompers foreshadowed issues of a serious character, probably referring to extremist propaganda.

MEXICAN RAILWAY TROUBLE.

GOVERNMENT READY FOR A GENERAL STRIKE.

MEXICO CITY, February 23.
In anticipation of a general railway strike in which it is estimated that about 40,000 workers will be involved, the Government has concentrated troops at all the important centres. The trouble is due to the railway directors refusing to recognise the men's unions. The Government is strongly supporting the directors.

TEHRAN QUIET.

COUP D'ETAT NOT DIRECTED AGAINST BRITISH.

PARIS, February 23.
Persian reports state that calm prevails at Tehran. The bazaar is closed. Cossacks have made a redistribution of wealth. A number of arrests, including the former Ministers Montazulmulk, Makhteshams, and Saltaneh and the Princes Firmanfarma and Firouz. The rebels declare respect for the Shah and abhorrence of Bolshevism. The coup d'etat was apparently not directed against the British.

BISHOP OF LABUAN.

LONDON, February 23.
The Senate of Aberdeen University has granted an honorary doctorate of divinity to the Rt. Rev. E. D. L. Danson, Bishop of Labuan.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

EIGHT PERSONS INCINERATED IN TRAM SMASH.

NEW YORK, February 23.
Eight persons were incinerated and 25 injured in the collision and burning of two tram cars at Shelton, Connecticut, following the explosion of a can of petrol on the platform of one of the cars. Several children were among the victims.

BANKRUPT PUBLISHERS.

NEW YORK, February 23.
Bankruptcy proceedings have been instituted against the publishers Leslie and Judge whose liabilities are alleged to be \$2210,000 and assets \$420,000.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON CONFERENCE.

LONDON, February 23rd.
The delay in the proceedings of the Near East Conference yesterday was due not only to the illness of the Turkish Grand Vizier, but also to the difficulty of reconciling the claims of the two Turkish delegations, each of which insists that it is the sole official representative of the Turkish people.

Bekirami Bey, head of the Nationalist delegation, declares that he is determined not to give way to the Constantinople Government or the Greeks, and says that the Nationalists desire a free and independent Turkey.

In the meanwhile, the Greek delegation equally uncompromising. It is stated that it has been gingered up by a telegram from Athens sent on behalf of King Constantine. It seems that while Great Britain is not adverse to the Greek idea of cutting the Anatolian knot with the sword, the French and Italian military experts declare that a Greek advance towards Angora will be madness. The Italians urge an agreement with the Kemalists, and say that otherwise, failing a gigantic inter-Allied expedition, there will be a hopeless deadlock.

It is stated that France, being unhelpful regarding an immediate settlement of the Near Eastern question, favours negotiations for a general armistice on the Turkish and Nationalist fronts, during which the Allied forces would be withdrawn from Asia Minor, and the Allies would then act as joint mediators between the Greeks and the Turks.

IRISH DISTURBANCES.

LONDON, February 23rd.
In the House of Commons, Sir Hamar Greenwood admitted that a number of the auxiliary cadets attached to the Irish Constabulary, who had been dismissed by their commandant, Crozier, for organised looting, had been sent back to Ireland on the advice of General Tudor, commanding the Irish Constabulary, for trial. Crozier and a subordinate officer had resigned, and the resignations had been accepted.

LONDON, February 23rd.
Mr. Justice Cobden, of New York, a leading American Sin Feiler, speaking at an Irish dinner at Chicago, declared that he desired to see the British Empire dismembered because it menaced the United States. He argued that the United States should insist on Great Britain "liberating" Canada and the West Indies as a basis of negotiations for the settlement of its debts to America. Mr. Justice Cobden's statements are typical of the agitation now being carried on against the Allies throughout America by the Irish and the Germans.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

PARIS, February 23rd.
The Council of the League of Nations has constituted an international blockade commission which will study the application of Article XVI. of the Covenant. The commission includes representatives of Great Britain, France, Italy and Japan.

The Council has decided to hold an international conference at Geneva at the end of June on the question of the exploitation of women and children.

On the motion of Mr. Balfour, the Council decided that the discussion of mandates in certain countries, previously belonging to Turkey, should be postponed to the next session.

ANGLO-JAPANESE ALLIANCE.

LONDON, February 23rd.
The 'Times' Wellington correspondent states that, according to Mr. Massey, the recent statement of Sir J. Findlay that Australasia objects to the renewal of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance does not represent the official opinion. Mr. Massey added that New Zealand and Australia already had a thorough understanding with the Imperial Government as regards Japanese immigration. Great Britain recognised the rights of the Dominions to decide as to who should enter their countries. New Zealand will not oppose general of the treaty unless impossible conditions are imposed, as, for example, equality of treatment as raised at the Peace Conference or such interpretation of the treaty as to make war with America possible.

THE YAP DISPUTE.

LONDON, February 23rd.
A New York telegram says that Washington dispatches show more hopeful prospects of the settlement of the dispute in regard to the disposal of the ex-German cables.

It is understood that France now agrees with Great Britain and the United States, but the Japanese delegates, with whom the question of the plant at Yap is being discussed, state that they are unable to proceed with the negotiations because they have not received instructions from their Government.

Japan and China will send representatives to the International Commission on Emigration, which is provisionally fixed to take place at Geneva in April. Lord Cave will be President. The Commission proposes to make a comprehensive survey of the present position of emigration. The States composing the international Labour organisation are approaching the question of emigration from an international standpoint. One of the main objects of the Commission is to co-ordinate legislation affecting emigration, and to eliminate the causes of international friction.

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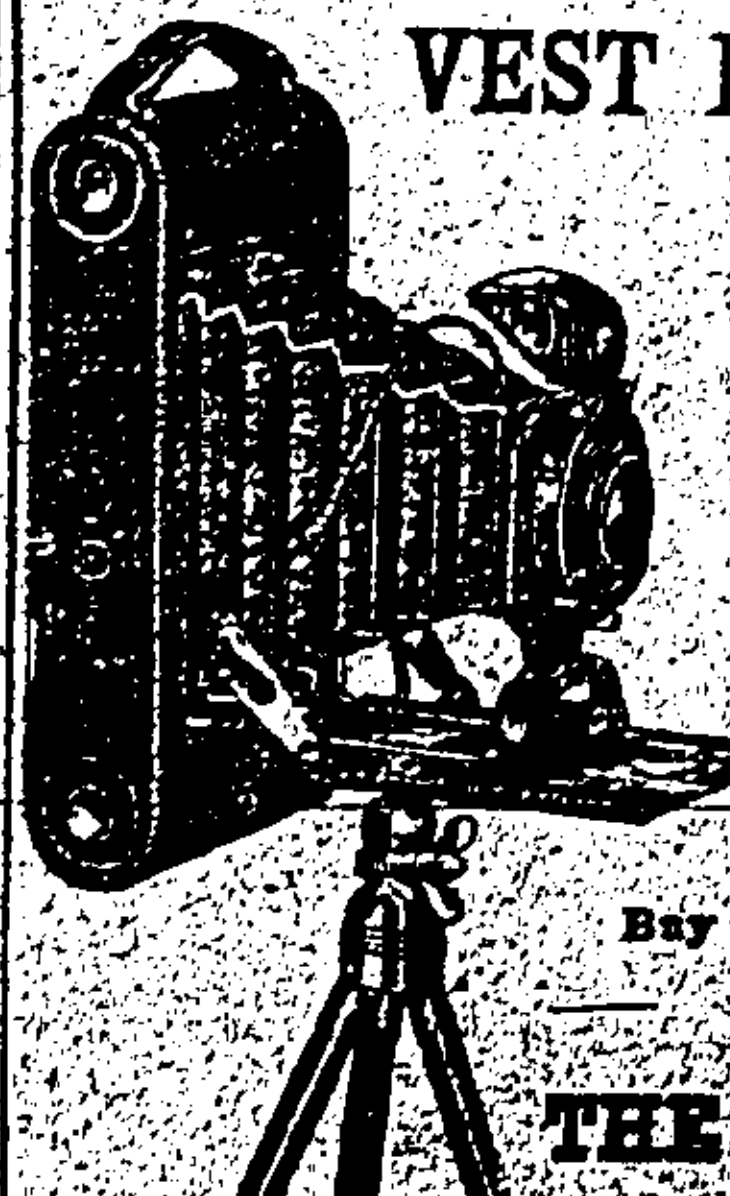
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the verdict in a case which was tried
by a jury of herself and eleven men.The time-honoured phrase "Gentle-
men of the jury" was altered to suit
the occasion to "Lady and gentle-
men of the jury."Since the institution of the jury in
far-off Anglo-Saxon days, none but
men have acted as jurors.No little historic importance,
therefore, attaches to the events,
though in the Midlands women
jurors have already been seen and a
forewoman has given verdict.

WOMEN'S EXCUSES.

In a clear and decisive voice a
well-dressed woman announced the
verdict of a jury at the Old Bailey.She was the first forewoman of a
jury that there has ever been in the
most famous criminal court of the
Empire, and her short speech was an
historic event. The case was that
of a Danish stoker named Harry
Jorgensen, charged with firing a
pistol at a dock policeman with intent
to cause grievous bodily harm.The jury were asked to consider
the verdict. There was a rapid dis-
cussion in the box, and the one
woman among the jury, who sat at
the end of the front bench nearest to
the Common Sergeant (Mr. H. F.
Dickens, K.C.), spoke with keen
interest to the juryman.The "lady and gentlemen of the
jury," a title heard for the first time
at the Old Bailey, were asked for the
verdict. The woman stood up and
gave the jury's decision. "There
was no intention of doing bodily
harm," without hesitation or nervous-
ness.The forewoman, Mrs. Helen
Burnstead, of Adelaide Road, Hamp-
stead, a good-looking woman with a
keen face and alert eyes watching
behind pince-nez. She wore a toque of
black straw with osprey feathers and a
fawn costume with a fur collar. All
through the case, and the one follow-
ing, she watched the witnesses and
the prisoner, and heard the evidence
with the greatest attention and un-
derstanding."Lady and gentlemen of the
jury," said the judge, as he addressed
the jury, speaking with an easy
familiarity, as though the expression
were not a revolutionary one.

Nervous women.

If another court in the same
building two women were sitting on
a jury. One was a little, elderly
figure in black with a sad face. She
was a Hampstead boarding-house
keeper of 60, and was obviously in-
tensely conscious of her position.
Before being called on to serve she
confessed to her nervousness, but
nevertheless she took her place with-
out delay.Beside her sat another middle-
aged woman with a hat of blue silk
and a stylish pink blouse and a fur
collar on her coat. She was as
uncomfortable as her neighbour.
During the trial of the cases they
sat stiffly, with expressionless faces,
in marked contrast to the men on
either side of them, who leant for-
ward on their elbows watching every
step of the proceedings with absorbedinterest. They agreed to two
verdicts of "not guilty," one in a
bigamy case and the other in a case
of alleged theft.The empanelling of the juries for
the session in the morning by the
Common Sergeant began with un-
familiar words. All were conscious
that they were making or watching
history.When the Common Sergeant, a
grave figure, had taken his place, an
usher called out the opening formula
of the day. He began: "You good
men and women."

MANY EXCUSES.

Touching and humorous scenes
followed with the calling up of the
women. All were middle-aged and
many were elderly. Some were in
mourning, and few seemed pleased
with the work before them.Of the 24 women who were called
10 made excuses, while one did not
appear. Of the 10 who wished not to
serve 8 were granted release. The
attempt of one woman to be excused
caused amusement. She was a stout
woman, wearing a squirrel coat and
carrying a squirrel muff. She wore a
black satin dress, and in her hand
was a gaily coloured handbag. On
her name being called she cried
"Excuse me," and made a dart at the
Common Sergeant's seat, but an usher
pointed out that she must wait her
turn.When her turn came to give
reasons for not being empanelled she
had a ready excuse.
"I am a business woman," she
exclaimed with vigour. "I am in
charge of a factory full of people. I
am the designer.""You must spare time from your
work for public duties," commented
the Common Sergeant. "You must
recognise that this is no excuse. If
I granted you exemption all other
employers would expect not to have
to serve on juries. Have you any
other excuse?""I don't quite know how I can
make any other," came the quick
answer."Would you like to serve later
on?" asked the Common Sergeant.
"Oh, if I've got to serve I might
as well serve now and get it over,"
was the reply."ONE-MAN BUSINESS."
One woman claimed exemption on
the grounds that she had a tobacco-
conist's shop which no one else could
look after."A one-man business?" asked the
Common Sergeant, unconsciously
humorous.One woman pleaded hard. "I'm
awfully nervous," she said earnestly.
"I am not at all suitable. I don't
feel up to it, and my health is not
at all good.""Don't you think you will be able
to sit quietly in the box and listen to
evidence?" she was asked. "You
will not be cross-examined there.""I am not strong-minded enough,"
she persisted. "I am sure there are
plenty who would enjoy it."To her great relief, she was excus-
ed on the grounds of ill-health.Far more of the women begged to
be excused in proportion than the
men. Mrs. Burnstead expressed the
matter clearly to a reporter. "I am
glad to serve, in a way," she said,
"as the work interests me, but IA FORTY YEARS' TEST.
CHAMBERLAIN'S Cough Remedy
has been curing coughs and
colds for forty years and has gained
a popularity every year. What better
recommendation is required? For sale
by all Chemists and Storekeepers.It is a true saying that "only those who have
suffered know what suffering is." It is with
Mr. Thomas Lewis of 115, Langdon Rd.,
Brynhydd, Swansea. For over 20 years he
has suffered from Kidney and Bladder
trouble. The relief was
wonderful. In a short time
he was completely cured,
and what is more, he had
a single return of those
cruel pains. Just read
what he says:—
"I am only too pleased to
tell you what De Witt's
Kidney and Bladder Pills
have done in my case. For
about 20 years on and off I
suffered with my Kidneys
and Bladder. I have actually
been three days in bed and
passed no water at all—you
will not want to enquire as
to the length of time. But I
can assure you that I tried
everything I could get and
all the remedies that were
recommended to me. About
twelve months ago I was
given a sample of De Witt's
Kidney and Bladder Pills. I
tried them and was greatly
surprised at the rapid way
they relieved me. I kept on
with them and they com-
pletely cured me. I have
not had any return of my
trouble since I took a single
one of your Pills, and the
reason of this is the reason
of their success."To cure Kidney trouble of any kind you must
positively get rid of the cause—the poisons
in the blood. Remember, to do this a real remedy
must pass through the kidneys and the bladder,
and not through the bowels, as most kidney pills
do. When you see the urine change to a muddy
bluish colour—a feature which distinguishes the
De Witt's Kidney and Bladder Pills from all others—you know that
they are actually curing you, and that the kidneys and the bladder.Rheumatism, Cystitis, Backache,
Lumbago, Stone, Tired feeling,
Sciatica, Gravel, Most forms of
Weak Back, Gout, Bladder Trouble.Sold by chemists and druggists throughout the world. De Witt's pills are packed in red
and gold boxes, printed in blue, and every genuine bottle has a red wax seal on the cork.
They are sold by the leading druggists and stock-keepers in China, but if you are unable to
obtain them locally send your money to the Colonial Dispensary, 14, Queen's Road Central.

Agents for South China.

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HOME TRADE.

WEEKLY REPORT.

Messrs. James F. Hutton & Co.,
Ltd., Manchester, reported on Wed-
nesday, January 19, 1921.There has again been considerably
more activity in the cotton markets,
and in spite of some slight reduction
in prices, which could hardly be un-
expected, the tone has been very
strong. Sales of spot cotton were
very heavy in the early part of the
week both at New York and Liver-
pool, being far in advance of those
for many months; and a feature of
those at Liverpool was the improved
Continental demand, principally
German, which accounted for a large
proportion of the total. American
reports still emphasise expanding
trade and speak of more mills being
re-opened. In the latter part of the
week, however, Liverpool has failed
to respond fully to these better
advises and some ground has been
lost. The main feature in last week's
general statistics was that the visible
supply of American cotton showed a
loss of 13,000 Bales against gain of
121,000 Bales last year. In our
market the more hopeful feeling re-
cently in evidence has been well
maintained; enquiry for both yarns
and cloth has been more extensive
and although the bulk of this has not
materialised, more business has been
done in both sections than for some
time past. This is especially the
case in yarns, and together with the
advancing movement in futures has
resulted in much firmer quotations
all round, prices in some cases being
advanced fully 2d per lb. Cloth
prices are also steadier with an up-
ward tendency, but pressure to sell
is still very extensive in this section
owing to the number of idle looms,
and consequently much more practi-
cable business is required before the
improvement can become anything
like general. Unfortunately many
buyers are still not in a position to
operate owing to financial considera-
tions, even though there appears to
be so much more confidence that the
level of values is sound enough, and
a general revival seems likely to be
delayed for some time yet. The fact
of there being so many purchasers
situated like this, is indeed the weak
point of our market, as others are
deterred from operating by the fear
that the necessary support may not
be forthcoming to sustain the present
advance and another relapse may
take place. Such a relapse would be
most unfortunate as the lack of
stability in prices has been and still
is a serious hindrance to any im-
provement in the overseas markets.should like to be excused. This
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get up much earlier so as to get some
of her housework done before she
starts. I had to be up at 6 o'clock
this morning.A woman, too, if she is away
from her house for some time may
lose money by having someone else
to do the housework and the shopping
who may not be so careful. Women
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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from FRANK GRAY, Esq., to sell by Public Auction,

on

MONDAY,

February 28, 1921, commencing at 2.15 p.m., at "Dunottar," No. 51, The Peak.

THE

Valuable Household Furniture, etc., etc., therein contained.

As follows:—

DRAWING ROOM—Arm-chairs and Chesterfield (Lane Crawford make), Korean and Japanese Cabinets, Silver-inlaid Blackwood Writing Table, Chairs, Card Table, Stands, etc., Old Bronze Figures, Curios, Paintings, etc., Administrator Carpet 13 by 15, Serge and Lace Curtains.

DINING ROOM—Fumed Teak mirror back Sideboard, Dinner Wagon, Side Table and Chairs (Lane Crawford make), Jute, Plate, Glass Ware, Dinner and Tea Services, Dessert Services, "Limoges," etc., etc.

BED ROOMS—Fumed Teak Bed Room Suite (Twin Beds) Lane Crawford make Toilet Sets, Bed Linen, etc., Bath Room Utensils (Porcelain Lavatory Basins), Kitchen Utensils.

Also
Lawn Bowls, Markers and Mowing Machine, Telescope and Stand by Callaghan & Co., London, Barograph, B.S.A. Air Rifle and Pistol, and one Manser Automatic Pistol.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue). On view Sunday, the 27th inst.

Terms:—Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, February 19, 1921.

G. R.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

AND

THURSDAY,

the 1st, 2nd and 3rd March, 1921, at H. M. NAVAL YARD, Hongkong, and at KOWLOON NAVAL DEPOT, commencing each day at 9.30 a.m. with an interval from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m.

OLD AND SURPLUS

NAVAL STORES, etc., etc.

Comprising:—
Life Boats, Dingies, Whalers, Shanghai Baths, Electrical Fittings, Cooking Stoves, Ships' Fittings, Iron Bed Mattresses and Fittings, Ice Chests, Steel Tanks, Life Rafts, Life Belts, Motors, Carpets, Bags, Mats, Sheets, Table Covers, Steel Wire Rope, Blankets, Counterpanes, Electric Cables, Canvas Hoses, Old Cordage, Canvas Bags, Old India Rubber, Old Leather, Old Iron, Brass, Gun Metal and Steel, Coal Sacks, Firewood, Iron Boilers, Lamps, Searchlights, Two large Cylindrical Boilers (working pressure 70 lbs.), Air Compressing Engine, etc., etc.

Lots may be inspected on Monday, the 28th February, 1921.

Terms of Sale:—As detailed on Catalogue.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty.
Hongkong, February 19, 1921.

G. R.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on

TUESDAY,

March 8, 1921, at 9.30 a.m.,

at THE NAVAL DEPOT, Kowloon.

OLD AND SURPLUS

VICTUALLY STORES, etc., etc.

Comprising:—

Banquets, Electroplate, Copper Pans, Hardware, Soap, Tea Gear, Table Linen, etc., Serge Bananas/Provisions, etc., etc.

Terms of Sale:—As detailed on Catalogue.

On view Monday, 7th inst.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
By Appointment Auctioneers to the Admiralty.
Hongkong, February 21, 1921.

WANT ADVERTISEMENTS

25 WORDS 3 INSERTIONS, \$1. PREPAID.

Each additional word 4 Cents for 3 insertions.

WANTED.

WANTED—A STRONG SEA LAUNCH (Towing Boat). Reply with FULL PARTICULARS to:—Box No. 1257, c/o "China Mail."

TO LET.

TO LET—IMMEDIATE OCCUPATION—A FEW THREE ROOMED EUROPEAN FLATS IN "ORIENT BUILDINGS," CORONATION ROAD, KOWLOON. MODERATE RENTAL. Apply J. CARR CLARK, Architect and Surveyor, 14, Queen's Road, Central.

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THEY MAKE YOU FEEL GOOD. The pleasant purgative effect experienced after taking Chamberlain's Tablets and the healthy condition of body and mind to which they contribute, makes one feel that living is worth while. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

LOST.

LOST in Kowloon, FOX TERRIER PUP about 4 months old, brown head. If found, please communicate with 36 Hanoi Road, Kowloon. Reward.

LOST—On February 21st, in shopping district, LONG PLATINUM BAR PIN, set with one SAPPHIRE. Please return to A. H. FERGUSON, CHAR-TERED BANK. Reward.

FOR SALE.

BUICK CAR—SIX CYLINDER, SEVEN SEATER, perfect condition, done six thousand miles, \$3,225 cash, no lower offers accepted. Apply Box 1263, c/o "China Mail."

FOR SALE—A MODERN BUNGALOW, standing in own Grounds. Beautiful View, Large Drawing Room, 2 Bed Rooms, Dressing Room, 2 Bathrooms, Enclosed Verandahs, Hall, Sitting Room, Commodious Servant's Quarters, Kitchen, Garden, Tennis Court, Electric Light throughout. Gas Installation. For further particulars, apply Box 1262, c/o "China Mail."

INTIMATIONS

Ponies! Ponies! Ponies!

PUBLIC ROUP.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Roup on

FRIDAY,

March 4, 1921, at 3 p.m., at the Jockey Club Stables.

A large number of well-known Race Ponies. (Full Particulars from Catalogue). Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, February 23, 1921.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

on

WEDNESDAY,

March 9, 1921, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

TEAKWOOD AND BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, BRASS AND TEAKWOOD TWIN BEDSTEADS, CARPETS, etc., etc.

comprising:—
Chesterfield Sofas, Arm-chairs (new), Folding Card and Occasional Tables, One Upholstered Suite, Bedroom Furniture comprising Teakwood Twin Bedsteads, large and small Wardrobes, Dressing Tables, and Chairs, Washstands, etc., (fumed Teakwood), Sideboards, Dinner Wagon, Extension Dining Tables and Chairs, etc., Dinner Services, Crockery, and Glass Ware, Jooking Stoves, Cutlery, etc., Bath Room Utensils, Electro-Plated Ware, Electric Reading Lamps, Teakwood Screens, Sundry Blackwood Furniture, Side Tables, Chairs, Cabinets, Pictures, etc.

Also
Several lots Tennis Balls, One 12-Bore Sporting Gun with Case and One Auto Piano with Rolls, etc.

(Full Particulars from Catalogue). Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, February 23, 1921.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

on

WEDNESDAY,

March 9, 1921, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street.

AN ASSORTMENT OF Household Linens, etc., comprising:—
Pillow Cases, Fine quality Blankets, White Satin Quilts, Bed Valances, Damask Table Cloths, Turkish Towels, Bath Towels, Bath Sheets, Double Bed Sheets, Drawwork Bedspreads, Table Covers, Crochet and Drawwork Doilies, Linen Damask Serviettes, etc.

Also
A few lots of Bellow Valines and Suit Cases.

And
Three Pairs Binoculars, etc. (Full Particulars from Catalogue). Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, February 23, 1921.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, 26th day of February, 1921, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1920.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 12th February, to SATURDAY, 26th February, 1921, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors.
A. G. STEPHEN,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, February 5, 1921.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LTD.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 3rd March, 1921, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December 1920, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 26th February, 1921 to THURSDAY, the 3rd March 1921, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 18, 1921.

WANTED.

DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF YELLOW RIVER BRIDGE FOR PEKING-HANKOW RAILWAY.

THE PEKING-HANKOW LINE of the CHINESE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS invites sealed proposals of bridge contractors for designing and building a new steel bridge about 2,500 meters in length across the Yellow River (Hwang-Ho). Proposals will be received up to noon of June 30th, 1921, at the office of Peking-Hankow Railway, Peking, China, plans, rules and specifications can be obtained from the following offices:

Peking: Peking-Hankow Railway, American, British, Belgian, French, Italian, and Japanese Legations.
Foreign: Chinese Legations, Washington, London, Brussels, Paris, Rome and Tokyo.

All applications for same must be accompanied with pounds £ for foreign countries and with dollars 30 for Peking.

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At their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street Situated at Broadwood Road, Hongkong. Substantially built 5-roomed Bungalow with usual out-houses and garden. Recently painted and colour-washed throughout.

Particulars from the undersigned. Terms:—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, February 21, 1921.

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1921.

TO-DAY

(THURSDAY), FRIDAY and

SATURDAY,

February 24th, 25th and 26th.

TICKETS of Admission to the Grand Stand and Enclosure may be obtained from Messrs. KELLY & WALES, LIMITED, or at the GATE Price \$4 for each day or \$12 for the Meeting. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform \$1 each day.

The Stewards request the pleasure of the Ladies of Hongkong at the Grand Stand and Enclosure during the Races.

R. J. PATTERSON,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, February 17, 1921.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd days of the Meeting the FIRST RACE each day will be run at the time advertised (12 o'clock) but that the subsequent Races will be run without reference to the times published in the beginning of the Race Book. There will, however, be the usual interval for Tiffin.

On the 4th day the First Race will be rung at 12.45 p.m. and the First Race run as soon thereafter as possible.

R. J. PATTERSON,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, February 22, 1921.

INSURANCE OFFICES.

RACE HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business TO-DAY (THURSDAY), Feb. 24th, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, February 25th and 26th, from 11.45 a.m.

By Order,
LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,
Secretaries.

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.
MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG & CANTON.
Hongkong, February 21, 1921.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the STOCK EXCHANGE will be CLOSED TO-DAY (THURSDAY), 24th, FRIDAY, 25th, and SATURDAY 26th, instant.

By Order of the COMMITTEE,
P. TESTER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, February 19, 1921.

RACE DAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be OPEN for the transaction of EXCHANGE BUSINESS on WEDNESDAY to SATURDAY, the 23rd to 26th instant, inclusive, from 9 to 11 a.m. only.

Hongkong, February 21, 1921.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

RACE MEETING.

ON THURSDAY 24th, FRIDAY 25th and SATURDAY 26th, instant, all departments will be CLOSED at 1 P.M.

On these dates
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY will be open for the purpose of dispensing prescriptions as follows:—
6 P.M. to 7.30 P.M.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
Hongkong, February 22, 1921.

REPULSE BAY HOTEL.

THE APPROACH ROADS to the above Hotel are CLOSED temporarily for the purpose of regrading. Patrons are, therefore, kindly requested to use the steps opposite the main entrance until completion of such work.

GIRL GUIDES.

LADY BADEN POWELL has appointed LADY STUBBS to be Division Commissioner for Hongkong.

Lady Stubbs will be glad if those who are willing to assist in the organization of the Girl Guides movement will communicate as soon as possible with Miss Rachel Irving, (3, The Peak) who has been appointed by Lady Baden Powell to be Secretary for the Division.

Hongkong, February 21, 1921.

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Its soft, subdued glow offers a real balm to the overwrought, delicate nerve centers of the eyes of both adult and child. Glareless light is absolutely essential to comfort. For at the close of day, the eye is fatigued and care should be exercised in selecting the proper lamp for Home Lighting.

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INTIMATIONS.

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FOR the erection by Public Subscription, of a building to be run on Y.M.C.A. lines, to be called the WAR MEMORIAL INSTITUTE and to be managed for the joint use of the Navy, the Army and Civilians by a Joint Board of Directors.

A portion of the sum raised will be devoted to the erection of a permanent stone memorial which will be put in hand at an early date.

Lists may be found at:—
Messrs. Lane Crawford.
"Kelly & Walsh."
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"Wm. Powell, Ltd."

The Hongkong Club.
Hongkong Cricket Club.
Club Lusitano.
"Engineers' Institute."
"Victoria Recreation Club."
"Kowloon Cricket Club."
"Kowloon Bowling Club."
"Peak Club."
"Club de Recreio."
"Chungking Club."

M. J. BREEN.
Hon. Secretary,
War Memorial Committee.

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SHIPPING SLUMP.

SERIOUS SITUATION.

VALUES FALL 50 PER CENT. IN A YEAR.

Shipping values have slumped tremendously during the past year. Vessels are now being sold at half the price which would have been obtained for them twelve months ago. The seriousness of the situation is obvious.

In the past wide fluctuations in shipping values have been common. There is this difference between the position now and the variation of prices in the past, which were due to mere trade fluctuations. During the war the values of ships rose to unprecedented heights. Prices soared as the demand for vessels increased and the means of satisfying it contracted. In 1919 tonnage was urgently sought to carry cargoes held up by the circumstances of the war.

Gradually this demand has fallen off. Vessels have been released from war service. New ships have been launched, and the supply of tonnage not only came to equal but to exceed the demand for it. But prices of ships having soared to unprecedented heights there was room for an unprecedented fall. This is what has occurred.

THE COLLAPSE OF PRICES.

Some interesting particulars of the slump are given in the current issue of *Fairplay* in an article entitled "Fluctuations in Shipping Values." A comparison is made in the value of a new, ready, single-deck steamer with a deadweight carrying capacity of about 7,500 tons.

The article proceeds: "A year ago a 7,500-ton vessel was worth £31 per ton if sold to British owners, and £45 per ton could have been obtained from foreigners, but the Shipping Controller would not give his consent to the sale. While during 1919 the appreciation in shipping values for the first six months was about 24 per cent, and in the twelve months about 42 per cent, we have to record this year a depreciation in values as compared with January 1, 1920, of 23 per cent in the first six months and over 50 per cent by the end of the year."

"Never in the history of shipping have values fallen to such an extent, but it had been generally recognised

by experienced shipowners that, having reached such unheard-of prices, when the slump did come the fall must be of a record character. In 1900, which was considered the boom year for shipping, the value of a 7,500 tonner reached £50,630, but it took about five years for prices to fall 50 per cent. This year it has taken less than six months from the highest figures reached.

"If the value of a steamer were based on her earning capacity at the present time values should be negligible, because owners are laying boats up owing to the impossibility of securing any freight which will cover expenses, but if based on cost of building they would be at least one hundred per cent. higher.

With regard to the future experienced owners generally are pessimistic. Many consider that even £14 per ton is far too high a price to pay when regard is had to the outlook in the freight market.

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BIRTH.

GALLUZZI.—At No. 9, Mountain View, The Peak, on the 22nd inst., the wife of U. C. Galluzzi, a son.

MARRIAGE.

GERRARD—HENDERSON.—At the Masonic Temple, Greenock, on the 12th January, by the Rev. Chas. F. Fleming, B.D., assisted by the Rev. W. Gerrard, brother of the bridegroom, George Gerrard, of Hongkong, son of the late Rev. George Gerrard and of Mrs. Gerrard, Athol Terrace, Edinburgh, to Helen Fairlie Henderson, O.B.E., daughter of the late Mr. George Henderson, Engineer, and of Mrs. Henderson, 8 Antigua Street, Greenock.

DEATH.

LOPES.—At 22, Range Road, Shanghai, on February 24, Lino Jose Lopes, formerly of the Treasury Office, Hongkong, aged 70. By cable.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEB. 24, 1921.

LITERARY CHEWING GUM.

Even where sport and games and dancing make the life, there is always the familiar demand for "something to read." Our book-sellers and librarians know it, and they know it as a request that is hard to satisfy. For these, askers do not wish to read to learn, or to brighten culture, but agreeably to pass time that is not claimed by other and perhaps more congenial

most exciting adventures on the course that must not run smooth. Another popular tale teller is Marie Connor Leighton, who is represented by "The Man Who Knows All." 51 chapters of murder, mystery, and love. Richard Marsh, another "best seller," has a theatrical-story story called "Apron Strings," full of plot and dialogue. There is also one by the great Le Queux. These are all in "colossal" or cheap cloth editions. The others are John Long's well-known "pennies," which, to be up to date like all else, now cost a shilling. They are by such writers as G. K. York, Marie Correll's "runner up," Nat Gould, Robert Buchanan, L. T. Meade, Fergus Hume, and J. E. Mordaunt. We have found them comfortable companions on, for example, the trip to Macao. For those in search of "something to read" we offer this mnemonic tip:

If on the cover
You see John Long
Pick out freely
You can't go wrong.

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR.

"Come, gentle Spring; ethereal mildness come!" At last the parental sun relents, deigning the dawning of a smile instead of the cold stare that made the winter of our discontent. The races current—observe that current is the word felicitously apt—are called our Spring Meetings, are they not? They synchronize this year with our meeting Spring. For behold! we swear it by the Prophet, as we journeyed citywards this morning, our eyes, questing for colour and for promise, lit upon the foliage of the mango trees in the barrack yard, and one of them was in bloom. No, no! Not one of our eyes. One of the mango trees. It brandished spikes of bloom, it did, and said that Spring was come. Thereupon our street-car was a triumphal chariot, and our progress to the place of divagatory gladness going. Memorial? What of that? You win a triumphal cash sweep, that gives you spare currency you do not really need, and you mark your joy thereat by indignations and grins it was exaggeration to call wreathed smiles. Wherefore can you scorn us, who have met Spring face to face, and enjoyed an eye-kick, as the Frenchman puts it, with the dryad of the mango tree? (Cheer!) The Spring has come, is here, here, here.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The latest development in the strike of tea-shop employees is that the employers have refused to negotiate further, on the ground that the employees have failed to carry out their alleged acceptance of a compromise suggested by the Hon. Mr. Lau Che-pak, and have decided to engage new helpers from Canton and Macao. It is the purpose of the shops to resume business next week. The claim is made that after agreeing to settle the strike, the employees went back on their word.

An official message from Chefoo announces that Wang I-chi of Wei-hai-wei, who has been endeavouring to erect a brewery at Chefoo, has floated a joint stock company called the Kiaoting Brewing Company, capitalised at 50,000 Chinese dollars. A brewery is being erected at Laohumien, a Southern suburb of Chefoo, which will soon be in operation. It is however regarded as an experiment, because it is doubted if the business can be successfully conducted by the natives, states the *Japan Advertiser*.

One of the most curious wills of the year was proved recently. It was that of Mr. Alexander Richard Moore, master mariner, of Bannister Street, Witherspoon, who left £3,144. He directed: That his body shall be enclosed in a coffin, similar to those used by the nearest board of guardians for their dead people and cremated without any religious ceremony dealing with the supernatural; the ashes to be enclosed in a deal box or bag and given or sent to Richard Johnson, proprietor of the Pavilion, Bannister Street, Witherspoon, who has promised to scatter them in the North Sea a mile from land, for which he is to be given £2 to pay for boat hire, etc. He left numerous small legacies, and at the death of his brother the residue of his property is to be divided between local charities.

The new U.S. Mercantile Marine entered upon its earlier days at a time which was most favourable to its expansion, and during the period of high freights its outlook was of a very promising one. But shipowners have always had to face periods of slump, and had therefore to put by for a rainy day. Now that the days of falling freights are upon us, the United States Shipping Board, and U.S. Shipowners find they have more tonnage on hand than they know what to do with. Lacking the experience of such old hands at the game as the British shipowners, they are faced with a problem which will prove a costly one in any case, and may mean the part of U.S. shipowners, a wholesale distrust of mercantile adventure which will prevent a repetition of the experiment for a long time to come.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

SECOND DAY'S MEETING.

INVINCIBLE KING WINS THE DERBY.

RECORD TIME ESTABLISHED.

This is Derby Day, the big day of the race meeting, and it seemed that all of Hongkong, the young and the old, the rich and poor, the hale and the lame—aye, even the blind—travelled out to Happy Valley to watch the great event.

The Weather Man again was good to us. Apparently determined to make up for what he did last year, when he sent down rain, and blew up a cold wind to make everybody miserable, he turned on the sun and let just enough of a breeze come through to make things comfortable. The day started out with a thick haze, and for a time it looked as if the sun might have trouble breaking through. But it did break through with a rush, in time, and long before the opening race at noon the Valley, the harbour, and the green hills of the island were deluged with its cheering rays.

The crowd that made its way to the racecourse was larger than the crowd yesterday, and that is saying a good deal. There were many people who could not attend the race meeting every day; there were many who could not attend more than one; but they all made sure to pick out this day. For this was the day of days. They had to see the classic event, the Derby, that has been run every year since 1873, and that has been growing in interest on each occasion. Last year, when the Colony had little more than recovered its breath after the war, was the first time that it could really let itself out in enjoyment of a race—and even then its enthusiasm was dampened by the execrable weather. But this year—well, this year was perfect. The weather was great, the track was in excellent shape, the Valley and the wonderful race course never looked prettier, there was a good list of entries—and everybody was in a mood to get most possible pleasure out of the event.

Of course the greatest interest was in the Derby itself, the third race of the day, due to be run about 1 p.m. Before the race, which is always for new and untried ponies—that is, untried except for their performance in the races of the opening day—the favourites were Mr. G. H. Potts' Invincible King, Sir Paul Chater's Honesty Dahila, and Hope Dahila; and Mr. Henry Humphreys' Speckled Mouse. The backers of Invincible King, a graceful runner, regarded as a fine fair weather pony, were jubilant. The track and the day, they said, were ideal for their favourite. The reports that Invincible King had a tender leg were not regarded as discouraging, it being generally considered that the pony, which did not run yesterday, was in shape to make one superb start, and then could be withdrawn for the meet, to rest up for future races.

The wise people took great comfort in the fact that running conditions were the same to-day as yesterday, and that therefore some line could be had on what the ponies that raced yesterday could be expected to do.

Of the ponies entered in the Derby, a mile and a half race, Ankle Deep yesterday won the Maiden Stakes, three-quarters of a mile, with Parran and Harlequin, also entries in the Derby, running second and third. Speckled Mouse, a favourite to-day, took the Trial Plate, one and a quarter miles, from Empire Dahila, also a favourite to-day, and from Coat of Arms who came in third. In the racing stakes, of one mile, Honesty Dahila was first, in the Jockey Club Stakes, one and a quarter miles, Silver streak won, with Hope Dahila, second, and in the Kalgan Plate, three-quarters of a mile, Leighton won, with Repulse Bay Chief second. It became known that the tie yesterday in the Challenge Cup between Carnumfield and Allied King were recorded in a dead heat, will be run off to-morrow evening after the last race.

The band of H.M.S. "Hawkins" rendered an enjoyable programme during the day, under the direction of Bandmaster H. Lodge, adding much to the pleasure of the occasion. The programme follows:

MORNING.
March—On the Quarterdeck..... Richards.
Overture—Toccata..... Rossini.
Selection—Toto..... Joyce.
Valse—Toum Paris..... Waldteufel.
Selection—Faisles..... Sullivan.
Suite—A Lover in Damascus..... Teike.
March—Old Comrades..... Ayer.
Selection—Yes Uncle..... Ayer.

AFTERNOON.
March—Lella..... Steffan.
Suite—An Evening in Toledo..... Schleming.
Selection—The Pirates of Penzance..... Sullivan.
Intermezzo—Demoiselle Chic..... Fletcher.
One Step—Palkan's Parade..... Forster.
Valse—Whispering of the Winds..... Fernie.
Selection—La Gran Via..... Ylvergo.
March—The Golden Stripe..... Richards.
The Band of the "Whitelines" will play to-morrow, and the band of the "Hawkins" again on Saturday.

Cash Sweeps—
Ticket No. 340 1st \$1,883.60
" " 2nd \$ 539.60
" " 442 3rd \$ 269.80
Unplaced ponies \$ 50.00
Commission \$ 687.00
Total \$3,435.00

Unplaced ponies \$25.88 each, ticket Nos. 340, 280, 370, 442, 646.

Mr. G. H. Potts' Fighting King, 160lb (Mr. Hill) 1
Sir Paul's Dahila, 155lb (Mr. Vida) 2
Mr. John Peel's High Tide, 155lb (Mr. Johnston) 3
Mr. Joe and Gussie's, Exchequer Bill, 155lb (Mr. White) 0
Sir Paul's, Charing Cross, 155lb (Mr. Soares) 0

Many lengths—Three lengths.
Start 12.30. A good start was made. The first past the post for the first time were The Dahila, Charing Cross, Exchequer Bill, High Tide, with Fighting King, last. The same order was kept at the Green Gate and at the back stretch. Up the incline Fighting King moved up rapidly. At the bend he was second, followed by High Tide. The Dahila was still going strong leading by several lengths. At the home stretch Fighting King spurred followed by High Tide and beat the Dahila easily.

3.—THE HONGKONG DERBY.
A Sweepstakes of \$20 each with \$2,000 added. For China Ponies, bond fide Griffins on date of entry. First pony to receive 70 per cent.; second 20 per cent.; third 10 per cent. Weight for inches as per scale. One mile and a half.

Parimutuel: Winner, \$26.40
Places—1st \$ 8.80
2nd \$ 6.80
3rd \$ 6.20

Cash Sweeps—
Ticket No. 1497 1st \$10,906
" " 111 2nd \$ 3,116
" " 1324 3rd \$ 1,558
Unplaced ponies \$ 500
Commission \$ 4,020
Total \$20,100

Unplaced ponies \$100 each, ticket Nos. 111, 824, 1497, 1324, 1225, 1449, 380, 1173.

Mr. G. H. Potts' Invincible King, 155lb (Mr. Hill) 1
Sir Paul's Honesty Dahila, 152lb (Mr. Knoll) 2
Sir Paul's Hope Dahila, 155lb (Mr. Vida) 3
Mr. Fash's Harlequin, 155lb (Mr. Heard) 0
Mr. Henry Humphreys' Speckled Mouse, 155lb (Mr. Willemin) 0
Mr. R. Magregor's The Renown, 155lb (Mr. White) 0
Mr. John Peel's Coat of Arms, 155lb (Mr. Johnston) 0
Mr. Soares' Forest Child, 152lb (Mr. Soares) 0

Parimutuel: Winner, \$ 5.30
Places—1st \$ 5.50
2nd \$ 6.10
3rd \$ 8.50

Cash Sweeps—
Ticket No. 440 1st \$1,213.10
" " 513 2nd \$ 346.60
" " 10 3rd \$ 173.30
Unplaced ponies \$ 175.00
Commission \$ 477.00
Total \$2,385.00

Unplaced ponies \$25.00 each, ticket Nos. 440, 2, 513, 354, 218, 10, 235, 249, 364, 81.

Mr. Ferdinand's Pawshop, 155lb (Mr. Soares) 1
Mr. Saint's St. Anthony, 155lb (Mr. Doyle) 2
Mr. Carpetor's Don Juan, 155lb (Mr. Hill) 3
Mr. B. Basto's Shooting Star, 155lb (Mr. Potts) 0
Mr. Gilpin's Raggedy Ann, 154lb (Mr. Bartholomew) 0
Capt. Henderson & Mr. Dyer's North, 152lb (Mr. Hancock) 0
Mr. L. N. Lee's Now or Never, 154lb (Mr. May) 0
Mr. McMase's Peradventure, 155lb (Mr. Nemaze) 0
Mr. John Peel's Tiddleywinks, 155lb (Mr. Jardine) 0
Mr. Slaves' Blackfriar, 152lb (Mr. Spinks) 0

One and a half lengths, two lengths.
Start 12 noon. One false start was made. When the ponies got away St. Anthony and Tiddleywinks led, with Peradventure and Pawshop second. Don Juan was a good third. This order was kept passing the stands. At the Green Gate Now or Never spurred and went up rapidly. At the incline the order was St. Anthony, Pawshop, Now or Never, and Don Juan. At the head, Don Juan was third with St. Anthony and Pawshop still strongly ahead. At the straight Don Juan fell off. Pawshop and Tiddleywinks challenged St. Anthony whom they both passed. Then Pawshop left St. Anthony and came in first, one and a half length in front. St. Anthony came in second. Don Juan again spurred and came in third.

Time: 1.54.
2.—THE EXCHANGE PLATE.
Presented by the Bankers and Exchange Brokers of Hongkong. Value \$1,000 to winner; second to receive \$300; third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this meeting of one race 5lb.; of two or more races 7lb. extra. Griffins allowed 5lb. Subscription Griffins of both classes of this season 1920-1921 allowed 10lb. Entrance \$15. From the two mile post once round and in.

Parimutuel: Winner, \$ 6.10
Places—1st \$ 5.80
2nd \$ 8.50

Cash Sweeps—
Ticket No. 740 1st \$2,150.40
" " 23 2nd \$ 614.40
" " 396 3rd \$ 307.20
Unplaced ponies \$ 300.00
Commission \$ 843.00
Total \$4,215.00

Unplaced ponies \$25.00 each, ticket Nos. 23, 710, 125, 182, 740, 612, 378, 195, 668, 753, 396, 107, 248, 557, 162.

Mrs. John Johnstone's Irish Stew, 155lb (Mr. Johnston) 1
Mr. Fash's Aspirin, 155lb (Mr. Heard) 2
Messrs. Fash & Lay's By Jingo, 149lb (Mr. Sath) 3
Mr. Allaire's Jock, 153lb (Mr. Sutton) 0
Mr. B. Basto's Shooting Star, 155lb (Mr. Bell Irving) 0
Mr. H. Birkett's Blackspot, 155lb (Mr. Hill) 0
Mrs. Deacon, Frampton, 155lb (Mr. Knoll) 0

Mr. Harley's Bogeyman, 155lb (Mr. Shaw) 0
Capt. Henderson & Mr. Dyer's South, 155lb (Mr. Doyle) 9
Capt. Henderson & Mr. Dyer's West, 155lb (Mr. Hancock) 0
Mr. McMase's Adversariat, 152lb (Mr. Bartholomew) 0
Mr. Nemaze's Ardavan, 149lb (Mr. Nemaze) 0
Sir Paul's Delight Dahila, 152lb (Mr. Vida) 0

Two lengths; one length.
A good race. Passing the stands, Givenchy, By Jingo, and Delight Dahila led. At the Green Gate By Jingo went ahead and led by a length. Up the incline By Jingo maintained the lead, also at the Black Rock. The Dahila came up at the bottom bend. In the home stretch Irish Stew and Aspirin spurred and beat By Jingo.
Time: 2.40.1/5.

5.—THE GOVERNOR'S CUP.
Presented by His Excellency the Governor, with \$600 added to the winner; second \$300; third \$200. For China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners at this meeting of one race 7lb.; of two or more races 10lb. extra. Griffins allowed 5lb. Subscription Griffins of seasons 1919-1920 and 1920-1921 of both classes that have not won more than one race allowed 10lb. (Jockey allowance.) Entrance \$10. Five furlongs.

Parimutuel: Winner, \$13.20
Places—1st \$ 6.90
2nd \$ 10.00
3rd \$ 12.40

Cash Sweeps—
Ticket No. 1069 1st \$3,237.50
" " 1131 2nd \$ 925.00
" " 445 3rd \$ 462.50
Unplaced ponies \$ 175.00
Commission \$1,200.00
Total \$6,000.00

Unplaced ponies \$25.00 each, ticket Nos. 429, 1080, 280, 524, 1069, 307, 445, 1182, 1131, 813.

Mr. Gilpin's Triumph, 152lb (Mr. Knoll) 1
Sir Paul's Sovereign Dahila, 158lb (Mr. Vida) 2
Mr. Soares' Spotted Sand, 150lb (Mr. Soares) 3
Mr. Dyer's Canasson, 147lb (Mr. Hancock) 0
Mr. Endeavour's Only Hope (late Waterlight), 152lb (Mr. White) 0
Mr. J. F. Macgregor's Strathairn, 155lb (Mr. Yb) 0
Sir Paul's Charing Cross, 155lb (Mr. Sutton) 0
Mr. John Peel's Ankle Deep, 160lb (Mr. Johnston) 0
Mr. Seth's Moonshine, 148lb (Mr. Seth) 0
Mr. H. P. White's Merryand, 152lb (Mr. Heard) 0
One and a half lengths; half a length.

Start 2.30. A good race. The ponies started in a bunch. At the back stretch Ankle Deep, Spotted Sand, and Merryand led with the others behind. The same order was kept at the Black Rock. In the home stretch Dahila and Triumph came up strong. Triumph beat Dahila and came in first. Spotted Sand and Dahila had a good race together which resulted in Dahila taking second place.

Time: 1.15.2/5.

6.—THE LUSITANO CUP.
Presented by the Members of the Club Lusitano, with \$400 added to the winner. For China Ponies, bond fide Griffins on date of entry. Second to receive \$200; third \$100. Weight for inches as per scale. (Jockey allowance.) Winners of this season 1920-1921, winners no penalty, non-winners allowed 7lb. Entrance \$10. One mile.

Parimutuel: Winner, \$37.40
Places—1st \$13.30
2nd \$18.60
3rd \$ 8.30

Cash Sweeps—
Ticket No. 534 1st \$3,220.00
" " 1192 2nd \$ 920.00
" " 997 3rd \$ 460.00
Unplaced ponies \$ 200.00
Commission \$1,200.00
Total \$6,000.00

Unplaced ponies \$25.00 each, ticket Nos. 480, 119, 1078, 724, 53, 47, 898, 997, 756, 26, 777.

Sir Paul's Sportsman Dahila, 155lb (Mr. Vida) 1
Sir Ellis Kadoorie's Shanley Chief, 158lb (Mr. Knoll) 2
Mr. Nemaze's Farran, 147lb (Mr. Nemaze) 3
Mr. Fash's Javelin, 158lb (Mr. Heard) 0
Messrs. Joe and Gussie's White Foam, 149lb (Mr. White) 0
Messrs. G. C. McPh and C. G. Makie's Two-edged, 150lb (Mr. Timmis) 0
Mr. John Peel's Paper Money, 155lb (Mr. Johnston) 0
Mr. G. H. Wits' Muscovite King, 169lb (Mr. Hill) 0
Mr. Slaves' piston, 152lb (Mr. Bell Irving) 0
Mr. Stephen's Pure Silver, 149lb (Mr. Willemin) 0
Mr. Stephen's Synic, 150lb (Mr. Doyle) 0
Four faths; half a length.
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CHINA COAST.

OFFICERS AND ENGINEERS.

LATEST CHANGES.

The following changes are recorded in the latest issue of *Shipping and Engineering*—

Captain C. C. Williams, from reserve, has gone master, "Woosung." Captain R. Newcomb, of the "Woosung," is on leave.

Captain J. R. Reid, from leave, has gone master, "Luenbo." Captain R. J. McClelland, of the "Luenbo," is on reserve.

Captain J. G. Carragham, of the "Poyang," is on leave. Captain F. McGarvey, from leave, has gone master, "Poyang."

Mr. S. Phillip, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Luanyi." Mr. L. J. Fugler, chief officer, "Luanyi," is on reserve.

Mr. F. A. Pennington, second officer, "Sunning," is on reserve. Mr. V. D. H. Bidwell, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Sunning."

Captain C. A. Christiansen, from reserve, has gone master, "Fengtien." Mr. H. P. Carver, acting master, "Fengtien," has gone chief officer, same ship.

Captain F. A. Lovegrove, of the "Hutchow," has gone master, "Hutchow." Captain D. R. Davies, of the "Chusan," has gone master, "Hutchow."

Captain Rees Lewis, from reserve, has gone master, "Chusan." Captain J. Gibbs, of the "Suiyang," is on leave.

Captain W. Shane, from leave, has gone master, "Suiyang." Captain A. V. Harrison, of the "Hunan," has gone master, "Lanan."

Mr. T. G. Beer, chief officer, "Shuntien," has gone acting master, "Hanyang." Mr. G. L. C. Johnson, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Shuntien."

Mr. J. Pringle, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Szechuen." Mr. D. Lupton, chief officer, "Szechuen," is on reserve.

Mr. S. Warland has been appointed supernumerary second officer, "Hsin Peking." Captain J. MacArthur, of the "Kiangwh," is on leave.

Captain C. M. A. Smith, of the "Kiangyung," has gone master, "Kiangwh." Mr. W. Anderson, chief officer, "Kiangteen," has gone chief officer, "Hsinkong."

Mr. J. Sundlo, chief officer, "Hsinkong," has gone chief officer, "Kiangteen." Mr. F. H. Davies, second officer, "Kiangteen," has gone second officer, "Hsinkong."

Mr. C. Monk has been appointed second officer, "Kiangteen." Mr. E. Klingenberg, chief officer, "Kwanglee," has gone chief officer, "Hsinming."

Mr. H. W. Parry has been appointed second officer, "Kiangwh." Mr. F. H. Maxwell, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Hsinming."

Mr. C. Le Patourel, chief officer, "Kaho," has gone chief officer, "Kiangwh." Mr. S. Kolsnik, third engineer, "Kiangwh," has gone second engineer, "Kiangwh."

Mr. S. Koroleff has been appointed fourth engineer, "Kiangwh." Mr. J. R. Morris has been appointed third officer, "Kwangling."

Mr. C. Harris Walker, chief officer, "Fengtien," is on reserve. Mr. R. E. Bisset, second engineer, "Singan," is on reserve.

Mr. J. K. Agnew, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Suiyang." Mr. T. A. Lupton has been appointed supernumerary second officer, "Loongwo."

Mr. G. G. Paterson, from leave, has gone chief engineer, "Kingsing." Mr. J. Thomson, chief engineer, "Kingsing," has gone chief engineer, "Koonshing."

Mr. J. J. Robertson, third engineer, "Koonshing," has gone acting second engineer, "Kutwo." Mr. E. Scott, second engineer, "Kutwo," is on reserve.

Mr. H. Kingswood, chief engineer, "Koonshing," is on reserve. Mr. W. Murray has been appointed third engineer, "Koonshing."

Mr. E. Scott, from reserve, has gone acting chief engineer, "Esang." Mr. J. Hay, acting chief engineer, "Esang," is on reserve.

Mr. W. Parr, from leave, has gone third engineer, "Loongwo." Mr. W. M. H. Adam, third engineer, "Loongwo," is on reserve.

Liverpool shipping men will be keenly interested in the news that the 16,000-ton liner which the White Star are going to lay down at once in place of the 40,000-ton "Homerick" is to receive the name of "Doric." For there are very many who remember her predecessor to the name when she was on the Atlantic Ferry, one of the popular rigged White Star ships with one short funnel and four masts. Later her owners transferred her to the Pacific, and she drew a lot of attention to herself by doing a non-stop run out to her station, a feat then considered impossible for a full-rigged ship. It is believed that the new ship will be practically a sister to the recently launched "Pittsburg," with straight stem, cruiser stern and two big funnels between two masts.

CHINA'S RAILWAYS.

PARTINGTON AGAIN.

LIMITLESS FIELD FOR ENTERPRISE.

In summarising the position in regard to Chinese railways, in recent articles, Mr. T. Bowen Partington states that altogether about 7,000 miles of railway are in operation in China, the result of 25 years of enterprise. Schemes to add another 10,000 miles of line in a country of such dimensions, are therefore entirely reasonable in scope, especially in view of the splendid results from established railways. His view is that China is well provided with carefully thought-out schemes of construction, but that progress is retarded for lack of money. Funds from gold countries cannot be forthcoming while silver relatively stands so high. If the railway building is to continue, we must look for money within China. It would seem a reasonable proposition that foreign interests should provide the necessary gold for expenditure on material, etc., while the Chinese themselves should subscribe the silver for expenditure in the country. Both sides would then be protected against exchange fluctuations. The difficulty is that the Chinese to-day are just a little too wary in the providing of funds for public enterprise.

It is true, adds Mr. Partington, that, owing to high silver exchange, an extraordinarily low proportion of the revenue was required for payment of interest and amortisation in gold, and that expenditure on much-needed developments was small, owing to the difficulty of obtaining supplies from abroad during the war. But, making allowances for all unusual contingencies, the fact remains that the railways in China are run at an immense profit, purely and simply because the country is bursting with people ready to travel, and commodities seeking inlet and outlet. The field for enterprise is almost immeasurable, and it is unbelievable that the financial conditions which have brought railway construction to a standstill can more than temporarily hinder development. On the other hand, it is true that, of the many purely Chinese railway companies that have been formed, all have resulted in disaster and total loss, either from sheer mismanagement or dishonesty, or from a combination of both. (L. & C. Express.)

CHINA SQUADRON.

LATEST CHANGES.

COMMANDERS OF GUNBOATS.

Changes are about to be made in the commands of five of the gunboats maintained in the Far East for duty in the Chinese rivers. In one case the two-year term of the officer in command expires on February 18, but in the others this period does not expire until various dates up to July 1. The Admiralty, however, have decided to re-commission the boats at the same time, and the five new captains will date their appointments from the date of re-commissioning.

The vessels concerned are the "Moorhen," "Robin," "Woodcock," "Woodlark," and the "Scarab." The former are among the seven pre-war gunboats now serving in China, while the "Scarab" belongs to the new class of "Insect" gunboats which were built under Lord Fisher's war programme and rendered such excellent service in Mesopotamia. The China Flotilla is now principally composed of these "Insect" gunboats, all of them, except the three which constitute the Danube Flotilla, being now in the East.

The new captain of the "Moorhen" is Lieut.-Com. V. P. Alleyne, until recently executive officer of the light cruiser "Constance." To the "Robin," Lieut. J. M. Heath, from the sloop "Laburnum," is appointed; while the new captains of the "Woodcock" and "Woodlark" are Lieuts. G. E. Boulbee, from the light cruiser "Cardiff," and Ivan W. Whiteborn, hitherto second in command of the destroyer "Shamrock" in the Atlantic Fleet. Lieut. A. G. B. Wilson, D.S.O., who is to command the "Scarab," belongs to the surveying branch, and since June last has been on the staff at the Submarine Depot at Gosport.

Major G. C. Wainwright, Royal Marine Light Infantry, and Lieutenant K. E. Privette, of the same corps, have been appointed to the "Hawkins," flagship of the China Station, on re-commissioning.

Engineer-Commander A. W. J. Turner has been appointed to the river gunboat "Bee" on the Yangtze, and to the flotilla generally on the transfer of the flag of the S.N.O. Engineer-Commander Turner is presently serving on the "Kinsba," which is the S.N.O.'s flagship.

Gunner O. N. White has been posted to the "Marazion," submarine depot ship at Hongkong, and Gunner C. H. Bullock to the "Tamar" at Hongkong, both to date from Jan. 25. (L. & C. Express.)

SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY.

POSITION TO-DAY.

EFFECTS OF THE DEPRESSION.

Although the depression being experienced in the shipbuilding industry, has, as yet, had little effect upon statistics, evidence of its existence can be obtained from the fact that, for the first time since the termination of the war, the quarterly returns issued by Lloyd's Register show the number and tonnage of vessels under construction to be less than those for the previous quarter. The difference, so far, is only 22,000 tons, the vessels under construction in this country on December 31 numbering 921 and having a total gross tonnage of 3,708,916, as compared with 961 vessels and 3,731,088 gross tons at the end of the September quarter. This is certainly only a trifling drop, but it may mark the commencement of a rapid decline which, if continued, will seriously enhance the existing difficulties of the industrial situation.

In comparison with the statistics for the end of 1919, the current figures show an increase in tonnage under construction of some 714,000 tons and of 1,729,000 tons as compared with the end of 1918. They might therefore be regarded as indicating an almost unprecedented degree of prosperity in the shipbuilding industry, but this inaccurate impression will be corrected when it is pointed out that the work commenced during the quarter, viz., 148 ships, making an aggregate of 506,353 tons, was 139,000 tons less than the average for the six previous quarters. It is this fact which indicates that the decline which has set in will not be arrested rapidly. Another factor of importance in the industry is that, although the amount of work in hand is very large, the rate at which it is completed is considerably less than was the case in pre-war times. In 1913, for instance, the average tonnage completed during a quarter was over 23 per cent. of the work in hand at the commencement of the quarter, whereas the corresponding figure for 1920 is less than 13 per cent. It thus appears now to take nearly twice as long to build a ship as it did before the war—a feature which, unfortunately, is characteristic of most modern industries.

It is a somewhat noteworthy incident in the development of the internal-combustion engine for marine propulsion, that in the returns just issued by Lloyd's Register it has been found desirable to give separate statistics for motor-propelled ships. From these it appears that of the vessels now building in this country, 57, making 227,010 gross tons, will be propelled by oil engines. The tonnage, it is true, is only a little more than 6 per cent. of the total, but it has already far outstripped the sail tonnage building which now amounts to only 7,051 tons (35 ships). It may also be of interest to mention that of the vessels under construction in this country, rather more than a third (1,257,124 tons) comprised in 284 ships, to be exact) are on order for British Dominion or foreign owners. Our largest customer is Norway, for whom we are building 101 ships, making 350,287 tons, while 65 ships (319,328 tons) are building for French owners and 27 ships (188,846 tons) for Dutch owners. Both France and Holland have considerable tonnages of shipping under construction in their own yards, so that there must be a notable improvement in the maritime positions of both these countries in the near future.—*Engineering*.

SOCIAL SERVICE.

A NEW DEPARTURE.

ACTIVITIES OF CHINESE WOMEN.

A unique venture in the field of Social Service as an activity for Chinese women has been made by the students of the Women's College of Peking University. These girls have taken the sum of money earned by their production of "The Bluebird" in November, and have gone to the city of Wang Tu Hsien in the famine district south of Peking where they have opened a refuge for girls from six to seventeen years of age.

This work is entirely the idea of the women students, and grows out of what they did for flood sufferers three years ago. The money is administered (and an accounting made of every cent of it) the food is bought, and the children are cared for, entirely by these practical and efficient young women, without foreign supervision. They have at present over eighty children in the refuge, and they expect to shelter two hundred before June.

The little refugees are taught to read, to sew, and to make hair-nets. As far as can be learned, this is the only instance of Chinese women who are taking their own organization and relief work, without superintendence by foreigners.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

INDO-CHINA S. N. CO.

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LORD INCHCAPE'S STATEMENT.

LONDON, February 24.
Lord Inchcape states that renewed reports that the P. & O. Company or any of its associates contemplates the purchase of or amalgamation with the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company are without foundation. The reports were accompanied by a sharp rise in the Indo-China Company's shares.

INDIA'S CHILD LABOUR.

AGE OF TWELVE FIXED FOR FACTORY CHILDREN.

DELHI, February 24.
The Council of State passed a resolution ratifying the draft provisions of the Washington Labour Convention, including the fixing of the age of children working in factories at twelve years.

HISTORIC CHAPEL.

BURIAL PLACE OF KINGS THREATENED WITH COLLAPSE.

LONDON, February 24.
The Historic St. George's Chapel at Windsor the burial place of many English kings, is threatened with collapse, according to the Dean of Windsor who, in a letter to the Press, appeals for funds to restore the building which he says will be closed at least three years for repairs. £20,000 has already been subscribed which is enough for the first year's work.

IRELAND'S TRAVAIL.

SERIOUS OUTBREAK OF REPRISALS.

MANY HOUSES BURNED.

LONDON, February 24.
There has been a serious outbreak of reprisals in Ireland. Twenty houses at Ballylongford, Co. Kerry, were destroyed by fire after two auxiliaries had been killed in ambush. Nine houses and shops were burned down at Roslea, Co. Fermanagh, following the shooting of a Unionist merchant. Following an ambush of Crown forces at Mount Charles, Donegal, a pitched battle took place in the streets. A girl and a policeman were shot dead. A number of buildings were burned down. Business was suspended and the schools closed. The majority of the inhabitants fled to neighbouring villages.

REPORTED GEORGIAN SUCCESS.

A Georgian official telegram claims that the Bolshevik attack on February 20 was repulsed and 2,000 prisoners and large booty were taken, also that Tiflis is entirely out of danger.

RUSSIAN RUMOURS.

ALLEGED DIFFERENCES BETWEEN LENIN AND TROTSKY.

FIGHTING REPORTED.

LONDON, February 24.
The *Daily Telegraph* correspondent at Berlin reports that a telegram from Moscow states that the executive of the Communist Party by 62 votes to 8 adopted the views of Lenin in favour of leaving trade unions a large measure of freedom instead of making them merely executive organs of the Soviet Government as advocated by Trotsky. It is rumoured that Trotsky, chagrined, has resigned the presidency of the Army Council, also that part of the Red Army in Moscow has revolted in favour of Trotsky and that there has been fighting in the streets.

UNEMPLOYMENT.

HOW THE GOVERNMENT IS COPING WITH THE PROBLEM.

LONDON, February 24.
The House of Commons passed the second reading without division of the Government's Unemployment Insurance Act Amendment Bill. Mr. Macnamara said the State provision would be increased from £4,500,000 to over £5,250,000 and they had provided \$62,000,000 for unemployment donations for ex-Servicemen. The benefits would be extended from 15 to 27 weeks in any one year and the weekly amount would be increased to 18/- for men and 15/- for women.

SPORT.

BILLIARDS.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

In the semi-final of the open tournament for the Championship of the Colony played at the Victoria Recreation Club last night, L. A. Osmund defeated E. Guimaraes, 750-640. The best breaks were—Osmund 45, 38, 34, 25, 21, 20; and Guimaraes, 41, 32, 25, 24, 21.

CANTON TOURNAMENT.

CUSTOMS CLUB EVENTS.

At the Customs Club, Hoam, two interesting billiards tournament are in progress, namely, the Club's annual Championship tournament, and the Bachelor's Handicap.

Mr. Carmichael, the popular secretary of the Club is the donor of the cup for the annual tournament, while Mr. S. A. Laxman presented the trophy for the Bachelor's Handicap. In the Club tournament, Mr. W. Read (200) meets Mr. A. Hanson (100) in the semi-final, the winner of this match to play Mr. Pegge in the final. Mr. C. O. Dieggs has been successful in the first rounds of the Bachelor's Handicap, and has entered the semi-final. Judging by form, it is likely that he will meet Mr. S. N. Clark in the final.

TENNIS.

CHINESE INTERPORT.

The Chinese Recreation Club has received a telegram from the Singapore Chinese suggesting a Chinese Interport tournament. The local Club is considering the invitation, and local Chinese tennis players are enthusiastic over the prospects of a meeting.

SHAMEEN TOURNAMENT.

The annual tennis tournament between members of the Shameen Club and a team captained by Mr. Kippes, took place on the Shameen courts on Saturday, when an interesting series of matches were played, the Club winning by 9 matches out of 14.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

SATURDAY'S FIXTURES.

The following are the fixtures for the 2nd Division League on Saturday, February 25—
2.30 p.m. Ollers v. United, Navy A ground.
2.30 p.m. St. Joseph's v. Club, Navy B ground.
2.30 p.m. Kowloon v. "Carlisle," St. Joseph's ground.
2.30 p.m. South China v. Punjab, South China ground.
4.30 p.m. Staffs v. R.G.A., St. Joseph's ground.
The Club v. St. Joseph's match postponed on February 5 will be played off on Saturday.

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BOXING.

GREAT COMING EVENTS.

In his weekly contribution to the *London Athletic News*, on January 3, "The Game Chicken" writes—

Although the National Sporting Club will not reopen until January 17, the immediate future is to be an important period of boxing. On Thursday week Jimmy Wilde resumes activity again, against the elusive champion, Pete Herman, on the same night that Billy Wells clashes with Battling Levinsky.

Then on the last day of the month Jim Higgins defends his bantam weight title against the lad from Plymouth, Kid Symonds; midway through February Jack Britton and Ted Lewis will once again contest the world's championship; Johnny Basham will defend his British title against another Plymouth boxer, Ted Moore, and big Frank Goddard tackles the American, Wild Bart Kenny.

Thus we are presented with an anomalous position, for British and World's championships at two weights are being decided, while in each of the latter the official British title holder is not concerned. In one instance a Britisher in a lower weight is providing the opposition.

The argument that Herman did not box under championship conditions when beaten by Joe Lynch is rather splitting hairs and would never have been dreamt of had he not been under contract to meet Wilde at ring-side weight for the convenience of Wilde, it may be mentioned, and not in accordance with custom.

Apparently for the purpose of hanging on to his crown, Herman is transposing the recognised order of things. In his own country he is adopting the British method of weighing-in, while for his match here he is following the system in vogue in America. All of which calls atten-

tion to the dire need of some uniform arrangement which can be officially recognised.

HIGGINS' NEXT OPPONENT.

The game in Plymouth must be bucking up considerably, and my old friend, M. Harry Jenkins, is beaming over with pride that a couple of his boys are figuring in championship ships, though it must not be forgotten that he produced one before, in Joe Symonds.

The flatterer's namesake, though no relation, is just a wee bit lucky in getting a chance for the crown of Jim Higgins, in view of the fine form shown by Billy Eynon, whom I still think a better man, though I have no doubt the Westerner will give a good account of himself.

Johnny Basham should have an easy journey against Ted Moore, judging by the form exhibited by the last-named in defeating the Frenchman, Frunier, and I would like to see our genial champion in some of the plums that are being distributed. But if the winner of the Lewis-Britton contest is out of the question perhaps a worthy opponent may be forthcoming for him.

I shall have further opportunity of discussing the big night on January 13, but I may mention that I saw Billy Wells the other day, and he is extremely fit, having wisely engaged heavy-weights who can keep him busy. It should be a great contest between him and Levinsky.

ARRIVAL OF HERMAN AND LEVINSKY.
Pete Herman and Battling Levinsky arrived in London last night from New York in readiness for their contests with Jimmy Wilde and Billy Wells respectively, which take place at the Royal Albert Hall on January 13.

Each expressed his confidence in being able to win, though appreciating that their opponents would provide them with a great bout. Herman, in an interview, declared that his recent contest with Joe Lynch was not recognised as a championship bout, it not being decided under the auspices of the International Sporting Club, the ruling authority, who had commanded Herman to meet Lynch again before June 21 for the world's title.

